



Yuma County
Local Emergency Planning Committee
June 16, 2016
Minutes

PRESENT:

Tony Badilla, Emergency Management Director, Group 2
Tom Batson, American Red Cross, Group 4
Michael Callahan, Gowan Milling, Group 5
Gary Elk, Western Pre-cooling, Group 5
Mike Erfert, Yuma Fire Department, Group 2
Greg Ferguson, Yuma County Board of Supervisors, Group 1
Michael Fila, Cocopah Indian Tribe, Group 2
John Hannon, Rural Metro, Group 2
Mark Hutsell, Yuma Regional Medical Center, Group 2
Gary Koehn, Kinder Morgan Energy Partners, Group 5
Michael LeBrun, Yuma County Public Health Services District, Group 2
Maria (Patti) Michael, Land O'Lakes Company, Group 5
George Scott III, YACS, Group 3
Sam Yarbrough, YACS, Group 3
Darren Simmons, Yuma County Sheriff's Office, Group 1
Michelle Smith, Yuma County Public Health Services District, Group 2
Frank Venegas, Cocopah Indian Tribe, Group 2
Robert Oberosler, Yuma County Sheriff's Office, Group 1
Rudy Wallace, CERT, Group 4

ABSENT:

Mario Avalos, Helena Chemical, Group 5
Robert Barocio, YPG CBRNE, Group 2
Tim Beeler, MCAS Yuma, Group 2
Paige Brooks, Sunland Chemical Co., Group 5
Paul DeAnda, Somerton-Cocopah Fire Department, Group 2
Jeff Denman, Citizen, Group 4
Ann Farley, Hospice of Yuma, Group 2
Dustin Fields, Yuma Fire Department, Group 2
Earl Hamilton, MCAS Disaster Preparedness, Group 2
Manuel Hernandez, City of Yuma, Group 2
Marc Holyfield, San Luis Fire Department, Group 2
Brian Hoon, Yuma Proving Grounds, Group 5
Steve Irr, City of Yuma, Alternate to Mayor Nicholls, Group 1
Mike Kemp, Driscolls, Group 5

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Michael Klein, YCIPTA, Alternate to Shelly Kreger, Group 2
Shelly Kreger, YCIPTA , Group 2
Mayor Douglas J Nicholls, City of Yuma, Group 1
Tim Pudleiner, Safety Manager, Achieve Human Services, Group 4
Noel Robles, Shaw Inc., Group 5
David Rodriguez, Wellton Police Department, Alternate Group 2
Charles Ruerup, DPW, YPG, Group 5
David Slade, Yuma Cogeneration Associates, Group 5
Ray Smith, Somerton-Cocopah Fire Department, Group 2
Kevin Tunell, Yuma County Communications, Group 3
Mike Walton, Yuma Fire Department, Group 2
Denise Whisman, Ferrell Gas, Group 5
Sheriff Leon Wilmot, Group 1
Rosario Zavala, Quechan Police Department, Group 2

A quorum was present with 15 attendees and all groups represented.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Emergency Management Director Tony Badilla called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. at the Yuma County Public Health Auditorium, 2200 W. 28th Street, Yuma, Arizona on June 16, 2016.

2. INTRODUCTION:

Members and guests introduced themselves. Guests included:

Chris Moreno, Bureau of Reclamation
Shirley Dalton, CERT
Cori Schultz, Rural Metro
Julia Dailey, Red Cross
John Smith, AZ DPS HazMat
Alfonzo Brown, YPG DPTMS
Ceci Gill, OEM

3. MINUTES:

Minutes from April 14, 2016 meeting were reviewed. **Simmons** moved to accept the minutes as written. **Erfert** seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

4. HMEP GRANT FOR DISCUSSION:

Badilla provided information on the funding estimated to be available for the FFY2015 HMEP grant. The council was advised of funds from the \$5,500 balance remaining were used for NATTSPO travel. An estimated \$1575 was allocated for traveling expenses for the “Annual Training Workshop & HMEP Grants Assistance Meeting”. **Badilla** stated that any balance remaining will be used for travel and training during the months of September-

October. For the 2016/2017 grant, a draft application has been submitted. The process is changing as the grant funds are being transitioned over to ADEQ.

5. MEMBERSHIP STATUS

a. Approval of Renewals

There were none at this time.

b. Introduction of potential members; possible action on Membership Applications

- Ceci Gill, Yuma County Emergency Management, Group II
- Shirley Dalton, CERT, Group IV
- Alfonzo Brown, YPG DPTMS, Group II (*not present at time of motion*)
- Camilo Perez, Cocopah Tribe (*not present at time of motion*)

Upon a motion made by **Rudy Wallace** and a second by **Mike Erfert**, the membership applications of Ceci Gill and Shirley Dalton were approved.

c. Approval of Designated Alternate

There were none at this time.

d. Approval of Resignation

There were none at this time.

6. New Business- Discussion and Possible Action:

Tony Badilla presented on his travel to Omaha, Nebraska on May 23-26, 2016 to NATTSPO. A PowerPoint of the *West Texas Explosion* was shown followed by a spoken summary of the presentation. **Badilla** also discussed the town's geography information, vulnerability assessment, the emergency declaration, the adaptation of an abrupt ICS formation, as well as disaster recovery. The presentation also discussed about the importance of having a Local Emergency Planning Committee in the community and participating in disaster drills.

*At this time, **Camilo Perez** from Cocopah EPA and **Alfonzo Brown** from YPG were introduced, and motioned to approve their membership application by **M LeBrun** second by **M Erfert**.*

Michelle Smith did a recap of a recent Tabletop Exercise on highly infectious disease in regards of last year's potential Ebola patient, which raised questions in the community. She also stated that as of this date, there have been no reported cases of Zika in Yuma County. Smith demonstrated a Zika protection kit, which included a mosquito/bug net, mosquito repellent, and water treatment tabs. She also gave advice on how to do control and contain mosquitos, which is the source of infectious diseases.

7. Old Business- Discussion and Possible Action:

No report at this time.

8. Chair Status Report, Chairman Mario Avalos

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No report at this time.

9. Good of the Order/Announcements

Badilla brought to the attention of an upcoming exercise in Emmmitsburg, MD on the second week of August at the Emergency Management Institute (EMI). Yuma County, along with other three counties and Mexico will be participating in a community-specific training which emphasizes in All Hazards preparedness, response, recovery and mitigation.

Chris Moreno from Bureau of Reclamation indicated that his agency had recently participated in a Tabletop Exercise along with EM Cocopah and Rural Metro which he stated was a complete success. It was the first time BoR participating in an ICS structure, they learned they need to issue out their emergency policies and procedures to other agencies. Moreno also stated that they will be participating in a HazMat Tabletop Exercise in September.

John Smith (AZ DPS) brought to the attention of a clandestine lab where butane honey oil was found in Yuma County, which is highly volatile. The lab was dismantled, and DPS ended with 40 gallons of hash oil, which is a control substance, what makes it hard to dispose of. ADEQ will permit the disposal through a variety of different ways. DPS will try to develop a program for the proper disposal of this chemical in the future.

10. Call to the Public

Badilla made an open invitation to come and make any presentation on what matters to the agencies; to talk about issues in the community, exercises and trainings that are ongoing. He mentioned that it is important to have that partnership between agencies and companies at every level in the community.

11. Adjourn

Upon motion by **Simmons** with a second by **M. Smith**, and with no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 11:03 a.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 18, 2016, at Yuma County Public Health Auditorium, 2200 W. 28th Street, Yuma, Arizona 85364 at 9:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ceci Gill, Financial Assistant
Yuma County Office of Emergency Management